

Proclamation Presented

In Recognition of Lung Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership is the only lung cancer advocacy organization founded by doctors and researchers working in partnership with lung cancer survivors and advocates to increase lung cancer awareness and research funding; and

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership' mission is "to decrease deaths due to lung cancer and to help patients live longer and better through research, awareness and advocacy"; and

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership understands that lung cancer is the leading cancer killer in the United States; this year, lung cancer will take nearly 500 lives in Hawai'i, far outnumbering deaths due to breast, prostate and colon cancer combined; and

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership strives to increase public awareness of lung cancer through its programs including:

- Free to Breathe® event series, which has grown from one event in 2006 to more than 37 events in 2011;
- "Look Deeper" Public Service Announcement Campaign, which has gained national recognition, appearing in media such as Good Morning America, CNN and the Los Angeles Times;
- Lung Cancer Advocacy Summit, an annual conference that provides advocates with the training, resources, knowledge and courage to take action to fight lung cancer in their communities;
- Chapter Program, an expanding network of grassroots advocates, working to defeat lung cancer; and

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership has awarded more than \$2.2 million to 25 researchers at 20 institutions for cutting-edge research that is essential to helping patients live longer and better lives; and

WHEREAS, the National Lung Cancer Partnership will be recognizing Lung Cancer Awareness Month throughout the month of November, 2011;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of November, 2011 as

"LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to support the National Lung Cancer Partnership and its goals of increasing lung cancer awareness.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this third day of October, 2011.

NEH ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i